

BOTSWANA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ORDER PAPER

(TUESDAY 11TH FEBRUARY, 2025)

QUESTIONS

HRS/MINS

1400 – 1445

- 1. MR. P. M. MOSANANA, MP. (KANYE EAST):** To ask the Minister of Higher Education: **(111)**
 - (i) whether there is any financial assistance given to Kanye Seventh Day Adventist (SDA) College of Nursing;
 - (ii) if he is aware of the 43 nurses who were dismissed following their payment demands for the work done at the college; and
 - (iii) how are they assisting these former employees in this regard.
- 2. MR. K. NKAWANA, MP. (SELEBI PHIKWE EAST):** To ask the Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs to provide quantitative information on the status of poverty alleviation projects in Selebi Phikwe East and to state the level of wealth creation particularly for the informal sector. **(7)**
- 3. MS. H. P. MANYENENG, MP. (MMOPANE-METSIMOTLHABE):** To ask the Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs to apprise this Honourable House on the state of Tau Manthe Primary School and in particular if he is aware that: **(75)**
 - (i) the school is very old with a complement of 1120 pupils versus 37 teachers;
 - (ii) there are 22 classrooms out of which three (3) are too small and were built way back through the Ipelegeng programme;
 - (iii) 13 classes are taught in the open under trees;
 - (iv) there are no desks, chairs, staffroom, teachers' offices, textbooks and exercise books at the school;
 - (v) the school has no boundary fence and that animals roam the school and vehicles and people trespass the school;

- (vi) the toilets (pit latrines) are dilapidated;
 - (vii) the kitchen has no dining hall and the electric cooking pots are not working hence meals are cooked outside using three legged pots; and
 - (viii) teachers are not promoted hence no motivation.
- 4. BRIGADIER D. MOKGWATHI, MP. (LETLHAKENG):** To ask the Minister of Transport and Infrastructure to apprise this Honourable House on the procurement status and management of Letlhakeng-Kaudwane tarred road and further state: **(88)**
- (i) the total cost of the project;
 - (ii) the quantum of labour force to be employed/deployed during the same road construction;
 - (iii) when construction of the road will commence; and
 - (iv) the estimated time of completion.
- 5. MR. C. K. JACOBS, MP. (LOBATSE):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture whether it is not time to consider constructing the Government integrated offices in Lobatse that were promised during the late Honourable Sebege's tenure. **(91)**
- 6. MR. R. W. KAIZER, MP. (SELEBI PHIKWE WEST):** To ask the Minister of Water and Human Settlement to apprise this Honourable House on the number of Civil Servants working in Selebi Phikwe and the number of houses available to them for accommodation purposes and further state: **(108)**
- (i) the number of staff housed in official houses versus those renting accommodation;
 - (ii) the number of those who share accommodation, inclusive of married couples who also share accommodation; and
 - (iii) the waiting period for those with no official accommodation inclusive of married couples.
- 7. MR. G. KEKGONEGILE, MP. (MAUN EAST):** To ask the Minister of Minerals and Energy to brief this Honourable House on the affirmative action initiatives within the Ministry; in particular: **(110)**
- (i) if the affirmative action is applied in the same way as Trusts in Wildlife Management Areas where companies are legally bound to avail jobs and Corporate Social Responsibility projects to nearby communities to their areas of operation;

- (ii) whether the Ministry is planning any paradigm shift to facilitate the provision of royalties and jobs to communities displaced by mines or living within their areas of operation;
- (iii) how many Somelo residents are employed at Zone 5/Khoemacau Mine;
- (iv) is the number adequate given the proximity of the mine to Somelo and the total number of Zone 5 employees; and
- (v) if not, how does the Ministry intend to change the status quo.

8. DR. U. DOW, MP. (KGATLENG WEST): To ask the Minister of Environment and Tourism whether regard is being had to the fact that many village compounds are fairly large and out of concern that they might be contaminated by pit-latrines, underground water in large villages is not tapped for human consumption, whether: **(113)**

- (i) he agrees that the untapped water is a major valuable resource that could be used for small horticulture holdings;
- (ii) his Ministry would be prepared to drill boreholes for the above use;
- (iii) if the Ministry is not so prepared, whether his Ministry would support the drilling of boreholes by clusters, groups or cooperatives for communal use and horticultural purposes; and
- (iv) he would agree to the utilisation of the water and land as suggested above as it would have economic and health benefits for participants.

9. MR. M. M. PULE, MP. (KGATLENG EAST): To ask the Minister for State President to provide an update on the status of the construction of a police station at Dikwididi and further state: **(115)**

- (i) when can we expect the construction to begin;
- (ii) what is the planned timeline for its completion; and
- (iii) what assurances can the Minister provide to ensure that the project is not delayed and remains on track.

10. MR. G. LEKAU, MP. (MOGODITSHANE WEST): To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to apprise this Honourable House on land allocation in Mogoditshane and further state: **(126)**

- (i) when the Ministry is starting the thibang diphotlha initiative;
- (ii) how far the Ministry is with compensation in kind; and
- (iii) when the Minister is intending to bring capable personnel to Mogoditshane Land Board.

11. MR. L. LESEDI, MP. (SEROWE SOUTH): To ask the Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs to state: **(117)**

- (i) the ten (10) oldest primary schools in Serowe and which years those schools were built;
- (ii) whether the stated schools' capacity and occupancy and standards the schools were initially built to accommodate;
- (iii) the number of classrooms and the number of standards those schools now accommodate;
- (iv) when last classrooms were increased at Simon Ratshosa and Grace Kgari Primary schools and how many they are now as compared to the school's inception;
- (v) the Ministry's plans for expansion of classroom blocks from 10 in most old schools to cater for new demands; and
- (vi) the Ministry's plans to renovate old primary schools in Serowe and build new classroom blocks.

QUESTION WITHOUT NOTICE

12. MR. S. O. DIGWA (BOTETI WEST): To ask the Minister of Transport and Infrastructure if he is aware that the Gaborone–Maun public buses do not drop and pick passengers inside the villages of Xhumo, Rakops, Khumaga and Moreomaoto but rather just pass by the main road, even at night: if so; **(135)**

- (i) are the operators in compliance with the regulations of their permits; and
- (ii) if not, what is the Minister doing to ensure that passengers are dropped at their rightful destinations.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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MOTION

1445 – 1800

**EXTENSION OF THE SECOND TRANSITIONAL NATIONAL
DEVELOPMENT PLAN (TNDP) 2023/2024–2024/2025**

- "That this Honourable House resolves to approve the extension of the Second Transitional National Development Plan (TNDP) by four (4) months from April to July 2025."

(Minister for State President)